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Short Title: Increase Penalty/Timber Theft.

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Sponsors:

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR CUTTING, INJURING, OR
3 REMOVING ANOTHER'S TIMBER RESULTING IN DAMAGES THAT EXCEED
4 ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 14-135 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 14-135. **Cutting, injuring, or removing another's timber.**

8 (a) If any person not being the bona fide owner thereof, shall knowingly and willfully
9 cut down, injure or remove any standing, growing or fallen tree or ~~log~~, log off the property of
10 another, ~~he~~ the person shall be ~~guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.~~ punished the same as in
11 G.S. 14-72."

12 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to
13 offenses committed on or after that date.

